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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Jeffrey D. SAFFER) Group Art Unit: 1631
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Application No.: 09/409,260) Examiner: Channing Mahatan
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Filed: September 30, 1999)
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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR)
EXTRACTING ATTRIBUTES)
FROM SEQUENCE STRINGS)
AND BIPOLYMER MATERIAL)

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims in this paper beginning on page 2.

Remarks follow the amendment sections of this paper beginning on page 7.

Attachments to this amendment include a Request for Continued Examination.